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Subject(s)

FOM 801 - Health Services for Children in Foster Care

FOM 801, Health Services for Children in Foster Care contains the original policy with no revisions on the following items:

- Overview
- Continuity of Care/ Medical Home Model
- Parental Involvement in Child's Health Care
- Legal Base.

FOM 801, Health Services for Children in Foster Care, has been divided into eight new items:

1. 801-01, Health Requirements.
2. 801-02, Immunizations.
3. 801-03, Medical Passport.
4. 801-04, Consent for Health Treatment and Care.
5. 801-05, Substance Testing/Screens for Children/Youth.
6. 801-06, Medicaid Health Plan Services.
7. 801-07, Health Care Resources and Specialty Programs.
8. 801-08, Health Liaison Officer.

Reason: Program office recommendation.

Policy was not revised/updated for each item. Please review each item listed for policy changes.

1) 801-01

Health Requirements

The foster care dental requirements are updated to align with the American Dental Association and American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry recommendations. The policy revisions include:

- Dental examinations required beginning at age 1 for children in foster care.
- A dental re-examination shall be obtained every 6 months.
- Children entering foster care receive an initial dental exam within 90 days unless the child had a dental exam within 3 months prior to foster care entry.

- Children entering foster care under 1 year of age must have an initial dental exam within three months of the child's first birthday.

Reason: Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) recommendation.

Foster care policy clarifies that all requirements for timely completion of medical and dental examinations apply for children placed in an adoptive home until the final court order of adoption.

Reason: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Adoption Policy Office clarification.

2) 801-02

Immunizations

Policy is updated with the following:

- Link to Required and Recommended Immunization job aid.
- Medical waiver clarification of content.
- Parental objection to immunizations must be in the form of a written, signed and dated statement list the parent(s) objection to the specific immunization(s) for his/her child.
- Items recognized as immunization documentation.

Reason: Alignment with MDHHS Division of Immunization, Immunization Status report and CWMU program office recommendations.

3) 801-03

Medical Passport

The medical passport policy includes the following revisions:

- Addition of the specific medical information required by MCL 722.954c.
- Added subsection heading for initial medical passport.
- Added non-offending parent as a foster care placement. This is to clarify that non-offending parent is to be provided a medical passport as outlined in policy.

- Specified participating legal parent(s) is/are provided with the quarterly updated medical passport while child is in out-of-home placement.
- At reunification, the participating parent(s) receives a current medical passport. However, subsequent medical passports are not required after reunification.
- Regardless of foster care placement, all newly referred medical and mental health providers who have accepted a child (with an open foster care case) for treatment are to receive a current medical passport prior to or at the first appointment. Subsequent medical passports are not required.
- Reorganized and simplified policy regarding:
 - Medical passport signature page requirements.
 - Medical passport documentation.

Reason: To provide clarification to the field regarding previous medical passport policy questions.

4) 801-04

Consent for Health Treatment and Care

When a physician determines that testing for substances or pregnancy is medically necessary for a child or youth in foster care, authorization for consent for this specific testing is as follows:

- Child's parent (of temporary court ward) must give consent or not consent.
- The department, if the child's parent is not available or capable of providing a decision to consent or not consent.
- The child/youth must also be informed about the doctor's recommendation and be provided an opportunity to consent.

Reason: Children's Services Legal Division clarification.

5) 801-05

Substance Testing/Screens for Children/Youth

New item to separate policy which was previously held in one policy item. No changes to policy.

6) 801-06

Medicaid Health Plan Services

New item to separate policy which was previously held in one policy item. No changes to policy.

7) 801-07

Health Care Resources and Specialty Programs

Policy is updated to include the following health resources and programs:

- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)
- Healthy Kids Dental (HKD)
- Fostering Mental Health

Reason: Program office recommendation.

8) 801-08

Health Liaison Officer

New item to separate policy which was previously held in one policy item. No changes to policy.

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Added Items ...

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Changed Items ...

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